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## REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on October 2, 2003, applicant elects, without traverse, the invention of Group II, claims 44-51, and SEQ ID NO: 252, as the species for initial examination. If there are any charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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